

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4629–S4707*

**Measures Introduced:** Two bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3462–3463. **Page S4358**

**Measures Reported:**

S. 554, to improve the safety of motorcoaches, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–202)

S. Res. 339, to express the sense of the Senate in support of permitting the televising of Supreme Court proceedings.

S. 446, to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings. **Page S4358**

**House Messages:**

*American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act:* Senate began consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 4213, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S4630–42, S4642–50**

Pending:

Baucus motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Baucus Amendment No. 4301 (to the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill), in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4630–42, S4642–50**

Sessions/McCaskill Amendment No. 4303 (to Amendment No. 4301), to establish 3-year discretionary spending caps. **Pages S4637–42**

Cardin Amendment No. 4304 (to Amendment No. 4301), to provide for the extension of dependent coverage under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. **Pages S4642–43**

Franken Amendment No. 4311 (to Amendment No. 4301), to establish the Office of the Homeowner Advocate for purposes of addressing problems with the Home Affordable Modification Program. **Pages S4643–48**

Cornyn/Kyl Amendment No. 4302 (to Amendment No. 4301), to increase transparency regarding debt instruments of the United States held by for-

eign governments, to assess the risks to the United States of such holdings. **Pages S4648–50**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill at approximately 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, June 9, 2010. **Page S4706**

**Messages from the President:** Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13405 of June 16, 2006, with respect to Belarus; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–59) **Page S4653**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001, with respect to the Western Balkans; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–60) **Page S4653**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Maura Connelly, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lebanon.

Daniel Bennett Smith, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Greece.

Subra Suresh, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the National Science Foundation for a term of six years.

A routine list in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. **Page S4707**

**Nomination Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Paul Steven Miller, of Washington, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2016, which was sent to the Senate on February 1, 2010. **Page S4707**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S4653**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S4653–58**

**Executive Reports of Committees:** **Page S4358**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S4358–59**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:****Pages S4359–60****Additional Statements:****Pages S4652–53****Amendments Submitted:****Pages S4660–S4706****Notices of Hearings/Meetings:****Page S4706****Authorities for Committees to Meet:****Page S4706****Privileges of the Floor:****Page S4706**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:10 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 9, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4706.)

## *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### **NEW START TREATY**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a closed hearing to examine Treaty between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms, signed in Prague on April 8, 2010, with Protocol (Treaty Doc.111–05), focusing on the negotiations, after receiving testimony from Rose Gottemoeller, Assistant Secretary of State for Verification and Compliance, and Chief U.S. Negotiator, Post-START Negotiations; and Edward L. Warner III, Secretary of Defense Representative, Post-START Negotiations.

### **HEZBOLLAH**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs concluded a hearing to examine the strength of

Hezbollah, after receiving testimony from Jeffrey D. Feltman, Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern Affairs, and Daniel Benjamin, Coordinator for Counterterrorism, both of the Department of State; Ryan C. Crocker, Texas A&M University George Bush School of Government and Public Service, College Station; Danielle Pletka, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C.; and Augustus Richard Norton, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts.

### **AMERICAN CHILDREN**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Subcommittee on Children and Families concluded a hearing to examine the state of American children, after receiving testimony from Elaine Zimmerman, Connecticut Commission on Children, Hamden; Alma J. Powell, America's Promise Alliance, and Harry J. Holzer, Georgetown University, both of Washington, D.C.; and Jack Lund, YMCA of Greater New York, New York, New York.

### **BIG OIL BUSINESS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine big oil business, focusing on if recent court decisions and liability caps encouraged irresponsible corporate behavior, after receiving testimony from W. Jackson Coleman, EnergyNorthAmerica, LLC, Washington, D.C.; Thomas C. Galligan, Jr., Colby-Sawyer College, New London, New Hampshire; and Christopher K. Jones, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

### **INTELLIGENCE**

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.